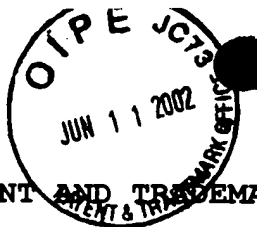


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This is in response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2002 in regards to the above identified patent application. Please amend the subject patent application as follows: